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“Best Friends...

Devoted to God, the World

and One Another”

Romans 12:10-11

Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit,...serve the Lord

Pacifica Women of the ELCA

Convention 2010

Location: King of Glory Lutheran Church, Fountain Valley, CA

November 5-7, 2010

*Worship, Bible study, Thrivent Build, Workshops, Election of Officers,
great fellowship and more*

Please to welcome to our convention...

Churchwide Representative Diane Brauer,

Chaplain, Pastor Kimberly Krogstad,

and

Bible study leader Barbara Martyn, Diaconal Minister

Watch the Pacifica Partners for more details.

Letter from the President

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Do any of you use Facebook? Maybe to at least keep in touch with some family members - or find and hear from/about other friends and relatives whom you see or hear from very seldom? I dragged my feet on setting up an account. My husband "just did it" for me as he thought I should also "get caught up" with friends and family. So I do open it daily though I seldom comment or write much. At Conference of Presidents this past February, my roommate was Gwen Edwards who is the Nebraska Women of the ELCA president. She has a Facebook account and I accepted her as a friend. Last month I talked about attending Synod Assembly - she recently attended the Nebraska Synod Assembly. She is much more prolific on Facebook! One thing she said caught my eye. Some of you likely met Ardi Hoins who was the NE president from 2000-2005. Remember Nebraska is our partner synod and we have shared breakfast at Triennial Gatherings. Well Gwen wrote on her Facebook page that Ardi was elected the Vice President of the NE Synod Council. Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-jah!

Which brings to mind our elections this fall. Hope you are deciding on a nomination from your unit for Triennial in Spokane next summer. And also prayerfully considering accepting a nomination for a position on our board - or at least submitting a suggestion to our nominations chair.

Our board will be meeting at the end of this month at King of Glory in Fountain Valley where we will all meet in convention in November. The next issue of this newsletter will have a registration form. This issue has a resolution form added. Remember resolutions are the method by which we can conduct business and through which any and all of you have a voice. Please send your resolutions to me by September 15th. A resolutions team will be named from the delegates who register. They must review any and all resolutions and prepare a recommendation when a resolution is presented on the floor of the convention.

One new item of interest for the November is that Barbara Martyn will be our Bible Study leader. She is a diaconal minister at First Lutheran in Fullerton. Her husband is a pastor there and they have a son who is the new pastor at Eden Lutheran in Riverside.

Another plug for someone to serve as historian. Am hoping that if I keep asking, someone will step forward. Interested or know someone who would be interested? Let me know!

Have a Happy and Restful Summer as we all continue

Acting Boldly in Christ!
Eunice



Also pleased to introduce ...

Bible Study Leader for 2010 November Gathering

Barbara Martyn, Diaconal Minister

First Lutheran, Fullerton

Greetings from Hawaii

By Juli Patten, Vice President

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God is calling! Women need to listen!

One day as I was walking into church I noticed a newsletter on the bulletin board. I think it was even fluttering, maybe to catch my eye. I stopped to look at it. It was a scholarship application for the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America annual convention in San Bernardino. Of course I immediately grabbed that paper and started to fill it out, not! I kind of wondered aloud, "Where the heck is San Bernardino?" I spent the next week getting various answers to that question, none of them started with a beautiful seaside retreat, or a lovely resort town, or a mountain retreat, no, most people just said somewhere in the middle of California. Well believe it or not the next Sunday once again I walked past the bulletin board and flutter, flutter, flutter. I don't remember much wind. I reached up, made sure no one was looking and grabbed the scholarship application and put it in my purse.

I am a very faithful member of a very small church. There are maybe 20 people on an average Sunday and the only women's group we had at the time was which two of us were in the kitchen washing up at the same time. I'd never heard of W-ELCA and had no idea how that little fluttering paper might change my life.

I took it home filled it out and popped it in the mail. I didn't tell anyone about it, I thought they might think I was nuts. I prayed about it and left it in God's hands. One day I received the letter that told me I had received the scholarship and would be attending my first W-ELCA event in sunny San Bernardino.

God had a hand in this as he saw me floundering in my faith and realized I needed a strong community of Lutheran women to ignite my passion for the Lord. I was nominated by Betty Flom to run for a position on the board and the rest as they say is history. I have never been stronger in my faith and I now lead a women's Bible study at my own little church. Sometimes it's just me and my pastor but I know in my heart I am listening to what God is calling me to do! I have loved every minute in this organization and have made life-long friends and sisters in Christ.

Watch for the fluttering of that paper on the bulletin board, some may think it is only a convention registration form, but if you listen carefully, maybe it is God calling you to step out of your comfort zone and challenge yourself to be a bold women in Christ! We will be there when you heed the call! Come find your boldness and renew your faith! Join us for the W-ELCA November Convention...

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I will there, won't you join me? When we walk together there is peace and serenity, our burdens our lighter, our hearts are open and ready to be filled with love and fellowship!

BUSINESS = RESOLUTIONS

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Why we write resolutions

Among the benefits of participating in Women of the ELCA is the opportunity to have a voice in determining the activities and direction of the organization. Where we go and what we do as a churchwide organization and as synodical organizations is very much up to you. That is why we meet in conventions, and at those conventions, we conduct business via resolutions. A resolution should be thought of as:

- A way to participate in the democratic process and have your voice heard;
 - A means of educating women about a particular need or concern;
- A vehicle for inspiring others to take a particular action.

If you are intimidated at the idea of writing a resolution, you shouldn't be. It isn't difficult. Resolutions are really just a way to introduce and deliberate business when you assemble a fairly large number of people together. Five people sitting around a table can discuss business one way; 100 people in a banquet hall have to conduct business in a more formalized way if they are going to make any progress.

Resolutions are also a way to plan and think ahead, and to hold ourselves accountable for the decisions we make: *A resolution, when passed, is no longer an idea to consider – it is a commitment.*

Who prepares and presents resolutions?

Every congregational/intercongregational unit has the right and privilege to prepare and present, through its delegate, a resolution to the convention.

How is a resolution worded?

Please use the following format:

WHEREAS, _____ therefore, be it (state the preamble or reason the motion is being offered for consideration)

RESOLVED, THAT _____ (state the motion)

Resolution must be signed by a delegate and include the name of her unit, city, and state.

How are resolutions handled at convention?

Any delegate may offer a resolution from the floor, which is germane to any pending question. Resolutions of a general character and not germane to a pending question may be introduced at the time "New Business" is called for during the convention. The Committee on Reference and Council then prepares recommendations for convention action on the resolutions it receives. This committee will also help delegates with the proper wording of a resolution. Three copies are necessary: One for the secretary, one for the convention chair, and one for you to keep

When are resolutions to be submitted?

Resolutions may be mailed to President, Eunice Hanson, 3627 Cerro Avenue, Oceanside, CA 92056. You may also send them by FAX to 760-806-8116 or email them to eunicehanson@cox.net.

Resolutions should be received by **September 15, 2010**.

RESOLUTION OF NEW BUSINESS
Pacifica Women of the ELCA – 2010

WHEREAS: _____

RESOLVED THAT: _____

Name _____ Unit _____

City & State _____ Date _____

Triennial Delegate
2011 Triennial Convention Nomination Form

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July 12-14, 2011 - Spokane WA

During our business sessions at King of Glory in Fountain Valley on November 5-7, 2010, we will elect four delegates for the 2011 Triennial Convention. Your president will also be a delegate.

For this triennial convention the Business/Plenary sessions will be held before the actual gathering. Delegates will have their round trip travel paid and will receive lodging and meals from July 12-14, 2011. Lodging, meals, and registration for the actual gathering July 14-17, 2011, will be at the delegate's/participant's own expense.

Please submit a nominee from your congregational unit by **August 15, 2010**, by returning this form to:

Jan Parthemer, Nominations Chair

795 Marsopa Dr

Vista CA 92081

619-992-5465

janp@cox.net

Congregational Unit of _____ (Name of Church)

_____ (Church City)

nominates _____ as a delegate to the Triennial Convention. She is aware of

this nomination and has given her permission to have her name placed on the ballot for this position.

Nominee Name: _____ Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Signature/Title of Person from Unit submitting this nomination

BIBLE STUDY in the OC

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at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in San Clemente

Saturday, September 18, 2010

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

A time for Lutheran Women and Friends to come together for Bible Study, Fellowship and Food.

Could you Imagine a world without
one of these?



Ladies, join us in welcoming

Rev. Linda Johnson Seyenkulo, co-author of this years Lutheran Woman Today Bible study
as she introduces

"The People of God: Unity in the Midst of Diversity"

Cost: \$20.00 Childcare available Please register by: September 1st

Questions? Contact Kelly Frohner at 949-361-2331 andrewsmom@prodigy.net

Our Savior's Lutheran Church & School

200 Avenida San Pablo, San Clemente 92972 949-492-6164

www.oursaviorsonline.com

Name _____ Church _____

Phone # _____ e-mail _____

Childcare needed? (please bring a sack lunch for children)

of children _____ ages _____

Enclose your check for \$20.00 made out to OSLC rsvp by 09/01/2010 mail to:

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 200 Avenida San Pablo, San Clemente, CA 92672 attn: Kelly Frohner

Calendar of Events

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- June 19, 2010 Mariposa, Big Bear and Raincross Cluster Summer Event
Location: First Lutheran, Ontario
Time: 8:30am—Noon
- June 26, 2010 SWO Board Meeting
Location: King of Glory, Fountain Valley
Time: 9:30am - 4pm
- July 10, 2010 Son & Surf, Saddleback & Rejoice Cluster President's Planning Meeting
Location: King of Glory Lutheran Church
Time: 9am
- July 12, 2010 Harvest Cluster President's Planning Meeting
Location: San Marcos Lutheran Church
Time: 9am
- September 18, 2010 Bible Study in the O.C. (see page 5 for more information)
Location: Our Savior Lutheran Church, San Clemente
Time: 9am to 2pm
- October 9, 2010 Harvest Cluster Event
(note date change) Location: King of Kings, Oceanside
Time: TBA
- October 9-10, 2010 Annual Craft Boutique
Location: King of Glory Lutheran Church, Fountain Valley
Time: Sat 9-3pm & Sun 9-2pm
Contact: Karen Ronchetti (714) 654-8919 / craftshow@verizon.net
- November 5-7, 2010 Pacifica Women of the ELCA Convention
Location: King of Glory Lutheran Church, Fountain Valley
Details to follow

O God, form the minds of your faithful people into your one will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that, amid all the changes of this world, our hearts may be fixed where true joy is found, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



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Address changes and corrections should be sent to the Secretary:

Becky Shurson
13848 Meadow View Lane
Yucaipa, CA 92399
Email: bshurson@verizon.net



*From one **BOLD** woman to another:*

God invites each of us to say yes to what is asked of us, but God does not get angry if we don't.

Perhaps you, too, are being invited to try something a little different in your life, to step out of your comfort zone.

Trust in the Lord, have Faith, be strong, and listen for God and go where you are called.

Purpose Statement
Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

As a community of women, created in the image of God, called to discipleship in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to grow in faith, affirm our gifts, support one another in our callings, engage in ministry and action, and promote healing and wholeness in the church, the society, and the world.

2010 Convention Scholarship Form

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Women of the ELCA

2010 Pacifica Synod Convention

King of Glory, Fountain Valley

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I am applying for:

SWO What? Scholarship

I am 13-35 years of age, a first time gathering attendee, and an active member of an ELCA congregation. If awarded, the scholarship will include full registration for the day. Transportation will be excluded.

Mahalo Scholarship

I am 36 years of age or above, an active member of an ELCA congregation, and a first time scholarship recipient. If awarded, the scholarship will include full registration for the day. Transportation will be excluded.

Ohana Scholarship

I am 18 years of age or above, an active member of an ELCA congregation located on Hawaii and a first time scholarship recipient. If awarded, the scholarship will include transportation (to be reimbursed up to \$500.00) and full registration for the day.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CLUSTER _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

CONGREGATION/CITY _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Scholarship Form, continued

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AGE GROUP: 13-25 26-35 36-45 46-55 56-75 76-90

Is this your first time attending a Synodical Convention? Yes No

[If not, when was the last time you attended?] _____

What is your involvement in your unit? _____

What is your involvement in your cluster? _____

Why do you wish to receive a Scholarship? _____

If you are awarded the scholarship, do you wish to remain anonymous? Yes No

Any other comments: _____

[This information will be kept confidential] Return by **September 1, 2010** to:

Andrea Campbell, 6555 Jaluit Street, Cypress CA 90630

(714) 891-2556 (h) (562) 493-1901 (w)

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Informational Web Sites for "your" use...

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www.pacificasynod.org

Pacifica Synod

www.elca.org

This will access the national church wide office

www.womenoftheelca.org

(Note: New domain name for churchwide website of the Women of the ELCA; 'Café', for free website for women 20-35 is part of this website).

www.lutheranwomantoday.org

(This website will access LWT magazine directly).

www.lwr.org

Lutheran World Relief

(Ever wanted to know where the quilts go that your units have made or the school and health kits that you assembled and sent to LWR)?

www.hisrosesandthorns.com

A Christian website of Wanda Scott Bledsoe and Janet Sannipoli

www.thebreastcancersite.com

Click on this site once a day to provide free mammograms for those who otherwise would not be able to have them.

www.cherishchildren.org

Information on Cherish the Children

www.giveaminute.org

Click on this site once a day and the sponsor will contribute funds for a minutes of care for the needy Indian children of the Tarahumara Children's Hospital in Creel, Mexico. This site has a mission information link and photo gallery which shows pictures of the area as well as some of the children. This site also links to the Hunger Site where sponsors will give a cup of grain for a click.

The deadline is..

July 7th, 2010 for Pacifica Partners

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